(c) and (d) At present Dwarka sub-city is supplied through Nangloi Water Treatment Plant. Water supply to this area is expected to improve with the commissioning of Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant on account of displacement of water from South Delhi. The commissioning of the Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant depends on the availability of raw water from Tehri Dam.

Wastage of drinking water

3380. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a wastage of about 40 percent of drinking water has been estimated in Delhi;

(b) if not, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether Government have prepared any plan to prevent this wastage of drinking water;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time schedule fixed for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has informed that sample surveys have indicated a high percentage of non-revenue water which includes components like physical losses due to leakages, operation losses at water treatment plants and distribution system. Unathorised usage and gratuitous supplies through Public Water Hydrants/Tankers to J.J. Clusters, unauthorised and other colonies.

(c) and (d) The DJB is taking the following measures to check loss of drinking water:—

(i) Regular checking of water transmission mains and recording the leakages at the Control Room/Water Emergencies set-up in each Zone, and attending to them promptly.

(ii) Detection of hidden leakages with the help of leak detection equipment.

(iii) Public awareness through media campaign to avoid wastage and adopt conservation of water.

(iv) For checking the wastage/leakage of water, a project named 24x7 has been taken up in two zones (South-ll & South-Ill) which covers 12% of the total consumers. There is a roll out programme for this project to other distribution zones also.

(v) Installation of bulk meters in the Bulk Water Transmission System.

(vi) Replacement of old corroded water mains in water Distribution System in a phased manner.

(e) The leakage detection and repair of water distribution lines is a continous process.

Heritage Character of the Lutyen's Delhi

3381. SHRI B.J. PANDA:Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that new master-plan involves new housing activity in a big way in the capital;

(b) whether this would not disturb the heritage character of the Lutyen's zone; and

(c) if so, Government's action plan to protect this heritage character of the capital?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has reported that based on projected population of 230 lakhs for Delhi in the year 2021, the draft Master Plan for Delhi (MPD) 2021 has estimated the requirement of additional housing stock of around 24 lakhs dwelling units. It has been assessed that the 20 per cent housing need can be met through development of accommodation in the adjacent National Capital Region cities, 40 per cent through redevelopment/upgradation of existing areas of Delhi and the remaining by way of additional new development.